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Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Applicant respectfully requests a three (3) month extension of time, from February 2, 2002, to and including May 2, 2002 to respond to the Office Action mailed on November 2, 2001. Responsive to that Office Action, Applicant requests consideration of the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendment

Please cancel claims 4, 5, and 12-14 and amend claims 1, 3, 7, 9, 11, 16-18, 22, and 23 to read as follows:

1. A process for delivery of a water nanocluster composition through the outermost layer of human skin, comprising the steps of:

preparing a water nanocluster composition comprising pentagonal dodecahedral water nanoclusters having at least one dimension thereof being less than about 10 nanometers and an oil formulation in the form of a water-in-oil emulsion, and

applying said water nanocluster composition onto the outermost layer of human skin.

3. The process of Claim 2 wherein said water nanocluster composition is comprised of about 5 to 25% by weight surfactants.

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